



EXPERT REVIEWER PROGRAM

Thank you for your interest in applying to serve the Board of Psychology (Board) as an expert reviewer. Expert reviewers are licensed psychologists who perform case reviews for the Board's Enforcement Program and perform Board-ordered psychological evaluations. Below are the criteria that each applicant must meet and agree to before becoming an Expert Reviewer:

- Submits current curriculum vitae which documents training, education, experience, current work setting.
- Agrees to provide copies of publications and sample and/or redacted evaluations, when required.
- Completes an application to identify top area(s) of expertise and relevant experience. In addition, the applicant signs a perjury statement attesting to its truthfulness.
- Have a valid license issued at least five (5) years prior to application to become a Board expert.
- Have no prior or current charges or disciplinary action regarding any healing arts license, registration, certificate or credential to practice psychology or any other profession or occupation in any state in the United States, or foreign country.
- Have forensic experience.
- Certifies to no past or present criminal history.
- Completes the Board's annual expert training workshop in person. Must also agree to subsequent annual training by the Board in order to remain as a qualified expert.
- Agrees to the Board's hourly compensation rate.
- Agrees to testify at administrative hearings or to consult with the Attorney General's Office or investigative staff whenever necessary.
- Agrees that the Expert Reviewer term is four (4) years in length, with an option to apply for renewal at the end of the four year term.

When applying to be an expert reviewer for the Board, please also consider the following information:

Area(s) of Expertise

Each expert must identify their top ten areas of expertise and relevant experience. Your Curriculum Vitae must support the identified areas of expertise. We request that you complete the attached Area(s) of Expertise Questionnaire. This questionnaire assists Board staff in selecting experts for case review. If requested, please ensure that you're able to provide documentation of education, training and experience in your ten area(s) of expertise and relevant experience. This information is important if you are required to testify in an administrative hearing.

The Board is only able to use you as an expert in the area(s) where you are a qualified expert. Although you may have experience and be competent in many areas of psychology, for this purpose, focus only on your area(s) of documented expertise.

Expert Reviewer Renewal

Each approved expert reviewer will initially serve a four-year term. At the end of the four-year term experts wishing to continue to serve as an expert reviewer will be required to renew by submitting an expert reviewer application and the required documentation. The Enforcement Committee will review for approval each application for renewal.

Annual Expert Training

Each calendar year, every expert is required to attend one “in person” expert training/update session presented by the Board of Psychology.

Curriculum Vitae (CV)

Your CV must be kept current and available to the Board.

Because your safety is of the utmost importance to the Board, we recommend that your curriculum vitae not list your residential address and phone number, as a vitae may become evidence in an administrative hearing and therefore become available to the public. The same is true for your address of record with the Board. If you would like to verify or change your address of record please feel free to contact the Enforcement Technician directly at (916) 574-7119.

Hourly Compensation

Board experts receive \$90 per hour for record review and report preparation and \$110 per hour for consultation with the Attorney General's Office or for providing testimony at hearing. In addition, regular and customary fees are typically paid to experts who are Board-appointed to perform psychological evaluations on probationers (These fees are paid by the actual psychologist who is on probation).

The Expert Reviewer Program is the backbone of the Board's Enforcement Program and its effectiveness is vital for fulfilling our legislative mandate to protect California consumers of psychological services from unprofessional, incompetent and otherwise dangerous practitioners.

If you are interested in becoming an expert for the Board of Psychology's Enforcement Program, please return the following information to:

Board of Psychology
Attn: Enforcement Technician
1625 N. Market Blvd., N-215
Sacramento, CA 95834

- Expert Reviewer Application
- Copies of certificates for the continuing education (CE) courses you have attended in the last two years (please do not send original certificates)
- A relevant writing sample or recent publication (or excerpt)
- A sample redacted evaluation (if you indicated you would provide psychological evaluations for the Board)
- A current Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- A cover letter describing your current practice/employment, forensic experience, work setting and why you are interested in serving as an Expert Witness.

The Enforcement Committee will review your materials at one of the next regularly scheduled Board meetings to determine your eligibility including whether the Board needs additional Expert Reviewers in the specialty areas that you have indicated. If you are approved as a Board expert, you will be asked to participate in an initial training with subsequent annual training for which you may earn continuing education credits. You will be notified shortly after the Board meeting as to the Committee's decision regarding your application.

If you have any questions, please contact the Enforcement Technician at (916) 574-7119.

**California Board of Psychology
Expert Reviewer Application**

Name (First, Initial, Last): _____

Address: _____

City, State Zip: _____

Work: () Mobile: () Fax: ()

e-mail: _____ Individual Professional Website: _____

Calif. Psychology License #: _____ Other Professional Licenses: _____

Please list address for FedEx/UPS Shipments if different from above:

Address: _____

City, State Zip: _____

Please list your Primary Professional Work: *(Please check all that apply)*

- ☐ Academic
- ☐ Administrative
- ☐ Clinical
- ☐ Consulting
- ☐ Health/Medical Psychology

What is your primary client base: *(Please check all that apply)*

- ☐ Adolescents
- ☐ Adults
- ☐ Children
- ☐ Couples/Marital
- ☐ Elderly
- ☐ Family
- ☐ Organizations/Institutions

In addition to English, please list any other languages you possess written and verbal fluency in:

Printed Name: _____

Have you ever been arrested, convicted or pled nolo contendere (no contest) to any violation of any federal, state, or local law of any state in the United States, or foreign country. You are required to list any conviction set aside and dismissed or expunged, or where a stay of execution has been issued?.....☐ Yes ☐ No

Has any licensing board, other agency, or hospital filed or taken disciplinary action regarding any healing arts license, registration, certificate or credential to practice psychology or any other profession or occupation? (If yes, please attach a detailed explanation.)☐ Yes ☐ No

Do you have an active practice (defined as at least 80 hours a month in direct patient care, clinical activity, or teaching, with at least 40 hours of which is in direct patient care?.....☐ Yes ☐ No

Do you perform psychological evaluations and conduct testing?.....☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, are you interested in performing psychological evaluations and testing for the Board of Psychology?.....☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please state how many evaluations you have completed in the previous two years? _____

If you are interested in performing psychological evaluations and testing for the Board of Psychology, you are required to submit a redacted sample evaluation.

Do you have a thorough understanding of the Laws and Regulations Relating to the Practice of Psychology and the APA Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct?.....☐ Yes ☐ No

Have you ever testified/supported your professional opinion (as an expert witness) in court/formal setting?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No

AREAS OF EXPERTISE QUESTIONNAIRE

Please select ten of the following individual topics for which you have demonstrated expertise and for which you would like to be used as an Expert Reviewer.

Ethics and Laws:

- ☐ Confidentiality (including exceptions)
- ☐ Dual/Multiple Relationships (sexual and non-sexual)
- ☐ Media Issues
- ☐ Informed Consent
- ☐ Patient Abandonment
- ☐ Record Keeping/Documentation
- ☐ Reporting (child & elder abuse, Tarasoff and related laws)
- ☐ Telehealth

Diversity:

- ☐ Cultural/Ethnic; Gay/Lesbian; Transgender; HIV/AIDS
- ☐ Religion

Assessment/Psychological Testing Issues:

- ☐ Child Custody
- ☐ Diagnostic
- ☐ Disability/Insurance Evaluations
- ☐ Neuropsychological
- ☐ Organizational
- ☐ Personality
- ☐ Psychological Evaluations
- ☐ Suicide Risk
- ☐ Worker's Compensation Evaluations

Psychotherapy:

- ☐ Anger Management
- ☐ Behavioral
- ☐ Biofeedback
- ☐ Divorce Mediation
- ☐ Health/Medical
- ☐ Hypnosis
- ☐ Psychodynamic
- ☐ Psychopharmacology
- ☐ Sex Therapy
- ☐ Systems

Specific Diagnostic Categories/Problem Areas:

- ☐ Borderline Personality Disorder
- ☐ Chemical Dependency/Substance Abuse
- ☐ Dissociative Identity Disorder
- ☐ Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder
- ☐ Sexual Abuse

Supervision Issues

- ☐ Organizational/Consulting
- ☐ Supervised Professional Experience (SPE)

Other/Specific Areas Not Listed

- ☐ Forensic
- ☐ _____
- ☐ _____

Application Certification

I hereby certify that all statements made in this application are true and complete, and I understand that any misstatements of material facts will subject me to disqualification. I further understand that if approved, I will serve as an Expert Reviewer for a period of four years at which time I can apply to renew my status. If I decide not to participate as an Expert Reviewer, I will notify the Board of such.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____